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IN THE ABSTRACT

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--ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A device for transverse immobilization of long nuclear fuel assemblies housed in compartments of the same length with several walls. A fixed structure is rigidly attached to the compartment, located on one of its surfaces, and includes at least one guide element transverse to the longitudinal direction of the assembly. A structure that can be moved in the transverse direction is capable of applying pressure on the fuel assembly and includes at least one transverse guide element working in cooperation with the element on the fixed structure. An adjustable clamp is also provided and includes at least one adjustable clamping element capable of clamping or unclamping the mobile structure on the fuel assembly using an adjustment device, and a control device that can be manipulated from the accessible end of the fuel assembly, the control device acting on the clamping element or its adjustment device to clamp the assembly in position by reaction on the fixed structure, or to release it.--

REMARKS

Favorable consideration of this application, as presently amended, is respectfully requested.